

DETAILED ACTION

- This action is responsive to the following communication: amendment filed on 5/23/2008.
- Claims 1, 5-17, 19-30 are now allowed; claims 2-4, 18 have been canceled.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see pages 10-11, filed 5/23/2008, with respect to claims 1, 16, 23, and 26 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The prior arts rejection of claims 1, 16, 23, and 26 under U.S.C. 103(a) has been withdrawn.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Wesley Austin on 8/18/2008.

Please amend the following claim:

16. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium storing a set of computer executable instructions A set of executable instructions on a computer readable medium for : receiving an imaging job at the imaging device; discovering an implicit network address from the imaging job without using an explicit address embedded in the imaging job, wherein the discovering comprises extracting an IP address of a sending computer system from the transmission of the imaging job data packets; starting the imaging job at the imaging device; sending a status message for the imaging job to the network address; receiving the status message by the computer system, the status message indicating that the imaging job has been completed;

verifying, by the computer system, that the imaging job of the status message originated on the computer system, wherein the status message is ignored if it is not verified, wherein the status message is processed if it is verified; and wherein the executable instructions on the computer readable medium monitor the imaging job and discover the implicit network address.

Allowable Subject Matter

- Claims 1, 5-17, 19-30 are allowable over prior arts of record; renumbered as claims 1-26 (respectively).
- The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The cited prior arts (US 6519048 to Tanaka et al; US 6469796 to Leiman et al; US 7113298 to Mochizuki) of record teach a printing system for notifying users/operators of printer and print job status by incorporating the IP address the computer device when transmitting the print job to be printed, but the prior arts of record fail to teach and/or suggest "discovering an ***implicit network address*** from the imaging job ***without using an explicit address*** of monitoring process in the imaging job, wherein the discovering comprises extracting IP address of the computer system from the transmission of the imaging job data packets, and ***verifying, by the computer system, that the imaging job of the status message originated on the computer system, wherein the status message is ignored if it is not verified, wherein the status message is processed if it is verified, wherein the status message indicating that the imaging job has been completed***" and in combinations with other features as cited in independent claims 1, 16, 23, and 26 (renumbered as claims 1, 13, 19, and 22 respectively).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to THIERRY L. PHAM whose telephone number is (571)272-7439. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (9:30 AM - 6:00 PM).

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Coles can be reached on (571)272-7402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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